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Following our telephone discussion on even date, the proposed amended claims are set forth hereinbelow:

Proposed Examiner's Amendment

Claim 1. (currently amended) A muscular fatigue-controlling composition which ~~comprises active ingredients~~ consisting essentially of muscular fatigue-controlling synergistic effective amounts of (a) an imidazole compound which is anserine or a salt thereof and (b) D-ribose.

Claim 6. (currently amended) A muscular fatigue-controlling composition which ~~comprises active ingredients~~ consisting essentially of (i) muscular fatigue-controlling synergistic effective amounts of (a) an imidazole compound which is anserine or a salt thereof and (b) D-ribose, and (ii) at least one substance selected from the group consisting of taurine, creatine, vitamin E, vitamin C, carotenoid, reduced glutathione and a mineral selected from the group consisting of calcium, sodium, magnesium, selenium, iron and zinc.

Claim 7. (currently amended) A method for providing a muscular fatigue-controlling effect comprising orally administering to a person in need thereof a muscular fatigue-controlling composition ~~which comprises active ingredients~~ ~~[[,]] said active ingredients~~ consisting essentially of synergistic effective amounts of (a) an imidazole compound which is anserine or a salt thereof and (b) D-ribose.

Claim 12. (currently amended) A method for providing a muscular fatigue-controlling effect comprising orally administering to a person in need thereof a muscular fatigue-controlling composition ~~which comprises active ingredients~~ ~~[[,]] said active ingredients~~ consisting essentially of (i) muscular synergistic fatigue-controlling effective amounts of ~~active ingredients consisting of~~ (a) an imidazole compound which is anserine or a salt thereof and (b) D-ribose, and (ii) at least one substance selected from the group consisting of taurine, creatine, vitamin E, vitamin C, carotenoid, reduced glutathione and a mineral selected from the group consisting of calcium, sodium, magnesium, selenium, iron and zinc.

Claim 26. (canceled)

Claim 31. (canceled).

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